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**COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS AND
COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT-1
ANNUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE – FISCAL YEAR 2005-06
MAY 24, 2005, PUBLIC HEARING**

On April 5, 2005, your Board adopted a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the proposed Fiscal Year 2005-06 annual street lighting assessments for the lighting districts in the unincorporated County area and the 15 cities where the County administers street lights. Your Board also authorized me to prepare and file an Engineer's Report as required by the California Streets and Highways Code.

The adoption of the annual street lighting assessments is a three-step process. The first step is the adoption of the Resolution Initiating Proceedings. The second step is the approval of the annual Engineer's Report and the Board action to set a date for a public hearing. On May 10, 2005, the Board approved and filed the annual Engineer's Report and set May 24, 2005, as the date of public hearing. The third step is the actual adoption of the proposed assessments at the public hearing, provided there is no significant protests. We propose to retain the Fiscal Year 2004-05 assessments for all zones in County Lighting District LLA-1 for Fiscal Year 2005-06.

The existing assessments expire annually and will lapse unless a positive action is taken by your Board to continue at least some level of funding for the continued operation of the street lights. The action of your Board on May 24, 2005, will allow ample time to ensure that the assessment collection process for Fiscal Year 2005-06 is completed in a timely manner.

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
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